

respecting the religious and moral education, training, employment, discipline, and safe-keeping of its inmates, as may be deemed expedient and proper.

1904, art. 27, sec. 500. 1888, art. 27, sec. 342. 1870, ch. 392, sec. 13.

**563.** The ground and the buildings which may be erected thereon for said House of Reformation shall be free of tax.

*Ibid.* sec. 501. 1888, art. 27, sec. 343. 1870, ch. 392, sec. 14.

**564.** No public streets, lanes, alleys, roads, railroads or canals of any kind shall be opened through the lands, or any part of the lands of the House of Reformation, where the same are exclusively used or appropriated for the purposes of its incorporation, except with the consent of the board of managers.

*Ibid.* sec. 502. 1888, art. 27, sec. 344. 1870, ch. 392, sec. 15. 1882, ch. 247.

**565.** The board of managers of the House of Reformation shall have power, in their discretion, to take into said house all such colored boys as shall be taken up and committed as street beggars or vagrants, or for incorrigible or vicious conduct, or shall be convicted for criminal offenses, or as hereinafter provided for in the case of application of parents or guardians.

*Ibid.* sec. 503. 1888, art. 27, sec. 345. 1870, ch. 392, sec. 16.

**566.** They shall have power to place the children committed to their care, during the minority of such children, at such employments, and cause them to be instructed in such branches of useful knowledge as may be suited to their years and capacities.

*Ibid.* sec. 504. 1888, art. 27, sec. 346. 1870, ch. 392, sec. 17.

**567.** The managers of the House of Reformation shall have power to bind out the children committed to their care, with the consent of such children, as apprentices during their minority; that is to say, males until the age of twenty-one years and females until the age of eighteen years, to such persons and places, whether in or out of this State, and to learn such proper trades or employments as in the judgment of the said managers will be most conducive to the reformation and the future benefit and advantage of such children; and the indentures by which such children shall be bound shall contain the covenants and shall be recorded as prescribed by law; and all the provisions of the code in relation to white apprentices shall apply to apprentices bound under this section.

*Ibid.* sec. 505. 1888, art. 27, sec. 347. 1870, ch. 392, sec. 18.

**568.** The manner of receiving inmates into the House of Reformation shall be in either of the following modes, namely; first, colored minors may be committed by a justice of the peace for any of the coun-